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EXCELLENT TEST RESULTS FOR GLENDALE WATER QUALITY

Commitment to providing exceptional water to residents continues

GLENDALE, Ariz. – <u>The city of Glendale</u> is pleased to report the findings of its 2015 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) and is proud to have received excellent scores for water quality levels during calendar year 2015.

This is especially timely in light of the fact that the issue of safe drinking water has been prominent in the news recently as residents in some parts of Michigan struggle to get access to water free of lead. "Because there are no lead service lines in the city's municipal water service system, not only would a scenario like the one in Michigan be unlikely to happen here, we are proud to report our drinking water meets or surpasses every drinking water requirement set by the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency," says Water Services Department Director Craig Johnson.

Each year, the Glendale Water Quality Laboratory (WQL) conducts more than 45,000 water quality and process control tests to ensure the city's water is safe to drink. The Safe Drinking Water Act requires that the city provide drinking water quality information to the public each year.

Glendale's WQL looks for microbial contaminants such as viruses and bacteria, inorganic contaminants including salts and metals, organic chemical contaminants, pesticides, herbicides and radioactive contaminants. In addition to the tests listed above, the

city of Glendale tests water daily for chlorine, pH, conductivity and turbidity to ensure that drinking water treatment plants are operating efficiently and to the highest standards.

Tests are conducted from the time the water is delivered from Central Arizona Project and Salt River Project canals, to the time the water arrives at a resident's faucet. This includes testing in the canals, at the inlet and outlet of the treatment plants, at key locations in the distribution systems and at some customer's taps.

Glendale's Water Services Department's purpose is to provide customers with safe, reliable, high quality water and wastewater services to ensure the public health and vitality of the community.

Bill paying customers will receive a notice that the 2015 CCR is available in the May and June editions of *City Connection* that is delivered with water bills. This report can be viewed electronically at: http://www.glendaleaz.com/2015ccr Customers can also call Water Services at 623-930-4177 and ask for a paper copy to be mailed to them.

For additional information on Glendale Water Services Department, visit www.glendaleaz.com/utilities.

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